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E. O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CDES (PRESS, WARREN T.)  
SUBJ: DEATH OF WARREN T. PRESS

MR. LAWRENCE ERLICH  
120 SOUTH LASALLE STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60603

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED YOUR LETTER RAISING QUESTIONS CONCERNING NON-RECEIPT BY YOU OF PORTION OF YOUR LATE SON'S PERSONAL EFFECTS. WE HAD DIFFICULTY CLEARING THROUGH CUSTOMS HIS CURRENCY, CAMERA AND FLASH ATTACHMENT, POCKET WATCH, WALLET, AND STONES. THESE ITEMS WERE SENT TO YOU SEPARATELY THROUGH DIPLOMATIC POUCH ON JULY 1, AND SHOULD REACH YOU SHORTLY.

2. CONOFF HAS SPOKEN WITH DIRECTOR OF SHIPPING COMPANY, WHO HAS NO EXPLANATION WHY WARREN'S CLOTHING AND SWISS ARMY KNIFE WERE NOT IN SHIPMENT YOU RECEIVED ON JUNE 29. WE ARE ENQUIRING FURTHER INTO MATTER, BUT ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT ARTICLES WILL BE RECOVERED.

3. THE EXPENSES WHICH YOU HAVE INCURRED BREAKDOWN IN FOLLOWING MANNER:

PREPARATION OF REMAINS: DOLS 68.26  
SHIPMENT OF REMAINS: DOLS 1227.55  
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SHIPMENT OF PERSONAL EFFECTS: DOLS 222.55  
TOTAL: DOLS 1577.18

SINCE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WHICH YOU PLACED ON DEPOSIT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WAS DOLS 1,400.00 WE WILL NEED ANOTHER DOLS 177.18 TO PAY ALL EXPENSES. WE SUGGEST YOU PLACE DOLS 200.00 ON DEPOSIT TO COVER THIS AMOUNT AND

ANY ADDITIONAL EXPENSES. PLEASE WIRE THE MONEY, PAYABLE TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE, TO DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520, AND INDICATE THAT FUNDS ARE FOR PAYMENT OF SHIPMENT FROM AFGHANISTAN TO U.S. OF YOUR LATE SON'S PERSONAL EFFECTS.

4. AFTER PAYING SHIPPING BILL BE SHALL SEND YOU A FINAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT, ITEMIZING THE EXPENDITURES INVOLVED IN YOUR LATE SON'S DEATH. ANY BALANCE REMAINING WILL BE REFUNDED TO YOU.

5. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO WRITE IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS.  
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NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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